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FABRICATION METHOD FOR SEMICONDUCTOR
INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DEVICE

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Examiner: H. Vu

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §1.97 & §1.98

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

March 26, 2003

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants submit a copy of the documents listed in the attached form equivalent to Form PTO-1449 for the Examiner's consideration.

This information disclosure statement is being submitted before the mailing date of a notice of allowance and is accompanied by the following certification specified in 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(2).

On information and belief, I hereby certify that no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing the certification after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.

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It is respectfully requested that this information disclosure statement be considered by the Examiner.

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